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POLICY ON FISHERY MANAGEMENT

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SUMMARY OF REVISIONS:

1. Central to the missions of the National Marine Fisheries Service is the agency's obligation to rebuild sustainable fisheries. The principal statute guiding our fulfillment of this mission with regard to federal fisheries is the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and it is adopted by reference as the Agency's Policy on Fishery Management.
2. Section 2 of the Act (Attachment 1) provides the findings of Congress and the purpose of the Act. It, in particular, serves as the philosophical basis for the agency's operations in the realm of domestic fishery management.

Signed _____/s/ Jan 24 2006 _____

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